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## ADMINISTRATIVE - INTERNAL USE ONLY

PRINTING AND PHOTOGRAPHY DIVISION  
WEEKLY REPORT FOR PERIOD ENDING  
20 September - 26 September 1984

I. Items or Events of Major Interest that Have Occurred  
During the Preceding Week

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A. Request for Proposal (RFP) for Digital Prepress System in the Printing & Photography Division (P&PD): The Technical Evaluation Team (TET) for RFP 84B-337 visited the Boston area 13-17 September to witness Efficiency of Operation Tests (EOT) and to discuss Clarifications of Proposals submitted by Bedford Computer Corporation, Xyvision Inc., and CAMEX Inc., the three bidders determined to be in the competitive range for the RFP. On 19 September, the TET journeyed to Baltimore to witness an EOT on the PENTA Page Makeup System, which was specified as the pagination system selected in the CAMEX Inc. proposal. The trips were very worthwhile and served to confirm the TET's conception of the various systems capabilities. The TET met on 24 September to re-evaluate the proposals based on the responses to the requested clarifications and EOTs and forwarded a recommendation to the Chairman of the Source Selection Board the same day. P&PD is still confident of executing a contract for an Automated Page Makeup system prior to 30 September. - Good luck!

B. ADP Activities: The two Xerox 2700 Electronic Printers located in 124 P&PD (Data Input Area) are now operational. These printers can be used to print any VM file, NOMAD query response, etc., in the P&PD Building instead of Headquarters. Printout will be on 8 1/2 X 11 Xerox paper in the landscape format. A memo will be circulated to explain in detail how to send files to these printers.

C. Xerox 9900 Installation: The second Xerox 9900 was installed in P&PD's Bindery and Reprographic Center (B&RC) this week and is now running in a test mode. Ken Peake of Xerox will conduct 9900 training sessions next week for B&RC employees.

D. Copier Management Support: The total number of copier requests received by P&PD in FY-84, 174, reveals a 47% increase in copier support required by Headquarters in FY-84 compared with FY-83.

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*NO* E. Canon to Supply Kodak with Copiers: The Canon and Kodak companies jointly announced this week that at some undisclosed date, Canon will supply Kodak with medium volume copiers bearing the Kodak label. Heretofore, Kodak has independently manufactured only high volume copiers.

*NO* F. Photo Support: Polaroid Corporation was contacted regarding their offer to manufacture film to customer specifications. Photography Branch, P&PD, has several applications which could utilize Polaroid instant film in 16/35mm format with lengths of 100 feet and greater, particularly in motion picture and computer graphics. Presently Polaroid is testing 100 and 400 foot rolls. The major stumbling block at this point is their inability to process. Polaroid has developed a prototype briefcase size processor which is working out well. They estimate marketing a bulk instant film to be one year away.

II. Significant Events Anticipated During the Coming Week

None

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